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Mrs. Melvin J. Pertuit (Antionette Provenzano, B.S. '50) and her husband are living in Raceland. Mrs. Pertuit is teaching at Lockport and her husband is teaching in Raceland. The Pertuits have two daughters, Maria Bernadette, 3½, and Kathyleen, 1½.

BUILDING NAMED—

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later becoming the Matron's Building of the Normal School. Three of the four columns that graced the portico of the old building are still standing and are known and loved by all former students and graduates as "The Columns."

The old Science Building, which originally housed the elementary and high school, has been named Guardia Hall, in honor of Dr. Edward (Ned) J. Guardia, the first principal to serve in the building.

The recently completed Y-shaped dormitory for men has been named Prudhomme Hall in memory of Sieur Jean Baptiste Prudhomme, who came to Natchitoches in 1759, and first introduced the culture of cotton in the area. Many descendants of the original Prudhomme live in Natchitoches and the famous Cane River Country.

RALPH T. MANION

Ralph T. Manion, ex-'45, has recently been appointed district manager of the Portland, Oregon, sales office of Hagan Chemicals and Controls, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. Manion has been with Hagan for six years, serving alternately as a Hall industrial water consultant, Calgon sales engineer, and Hagan mechanical division engineer.

He and his wife, Mildred, have three children and live at 4803 S. E. 52nd Avenue, Portland, Oregon. He completed his engineering work at University of Portland after leaving N. S. C.

Frances Ann Gunn

Frances Ann Gunn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman L. Gunn, B.S. '49, of 2511 Hillcrest, Alexandria. Frances Ann arrived to brighten the Gunn household on May 16, 1957.

Mr. Gunn is employed as assistant-cashier at the Rapides Bank in Alexandria. He is married to Dixie Breithaupt, and Frances Ann is their only child.

Incidentally, the proud grandmother of Frances Ann is Mrs. Sally H. Gunn, secretary to President Kyser.

Steven Louis Bandy

Steven Louis Bandy is the two-year-old son of Fred Bandy, B.A. '49, and the former Marie Anne Guilbeau of Sunset. Mr. Bandy is city editor of the Daily Signal in Crowley. He is a native of Shreveport and has been connected with the Crowley paper for several years.

CUPID'S DOINGS

MISS CAROLYN BOUTWELL, B.S. '56, of Winnsboro, and Mr. Lawrence John St. Amant, of Norco, were married on August 24. The bride is teaching at Destrehan High School and the groom is employed by Shell Oil Company.

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MISS PAULA CAMILLE GILBERT, B.A. '57, of Minden, and Thomas O. Harrison, Jr., of Verda, were united in marriage at First Baptist Church of Minden, October 25, the Rev. Truman Aldridge officiating. The young couple will make their home in Montgomery.

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MISS MONA GREY MILLER, B.S. '55, of Natchitoches, and Douglas Graham McBryde, of Scotland, Arkansas, were married at First Baptist Church in Natchitoches on October 12, with Rev. Perry W. Webb, Jr., officiating at the ceremony. The newlyweds are residing at 506 Ann St., Lake Charles.

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MISS BILLIE DALE ELLIOTT, B.S. '56, of Robeline, and Joseph Beall Young Lafitte, of Pelican, were united in marriage at St. Mary's Catholic Church of Rambin on November 9, the Rev. William Kwaaritaal officiating. The young couple will reside in Robeline.

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MISS BETTY JO TILLEUX, B.A. '57, of Grand Cane, and Carrol Allen Breaux, of Lake Charles, were married at Smyrna Presbyterian Church in Grand Cane on November 16, the Rev. Lannie Parnell officiating. They will make their home in Lake Charles, where both are employed.

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MISS MARY LOUISE BURNS, B.S. (Nursing) '55, of Shreveport, and Bobby Lane Murphy, of Arcadia, were married in the chapel of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Shreveport, on November 16, Rev. James Taylor officiating. They will make their home in Shreveport, where the bride is employed at the Confederate Memorial Hospital.

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MISS YVETTE COOK, of Natchitoches, and BILLY EARL ROBERTS, of Campti, both students at the College, were married on November 22 at the Broadmoor Presbyterian Church of Shreveport, Rev. Thomas Duncan officiating. The young couple will reside in Natchitoches and continue their college work.

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MISS JAMEY NAY POULAN, senior in Medical Technology, of Monroe, and Cecil Calvin Belgard II, former student of Colfax, were married on November 23 at First Baptist Church in Monroe. They will reside in Manhattan, Kansas, where the groom is stationed with the U. S. Army at Fort Riley, Kansas.

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Miss Lois Jean Conly, of East Point, and CHARLES DOUGLAS WOOD, former student, of Coushatta, were married November 30 in the chapel of First Methodist Church of Shreveport, with Dr. B. C. Taylor officiating. The young couple will make their home in East Point.

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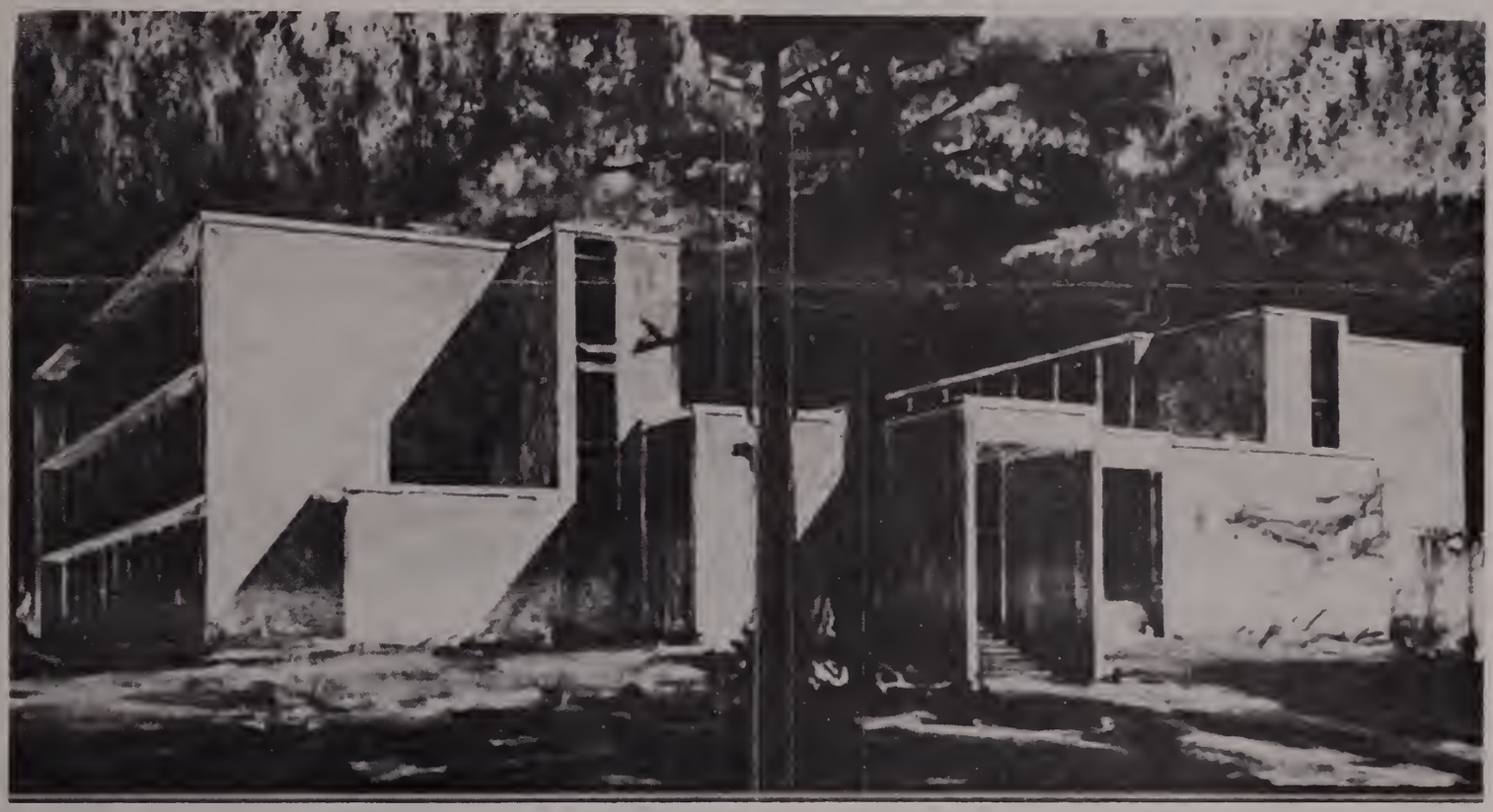
THE NEW "NATCHITOCHES HALL" UNDER CONSTRUCTION WILL HOUSE 200 WOMEN



GRADUATE WORK IS EXPANDED

The State Board of Education recently approved the broadening of the academic program at the graduate level for Northwestern State College. Detailed plans for the enlarged program have been submitted to the Board for its final approval this month.

Graduate work at the College which was approved by the State Legislature and the State Board of Education approximately three years ago was limited to Education. The Master's Degree could be awarded to students who, upon completion of their graduate work, were certified to teach in the public schools of Louisiana.

In line with the national concern over advanced work in the sciences and related subjects, opportunity is now offered to do graduate work in any of these fields without the qualifying limitation of teacher-certification. In brief, the new program will permit graduate students to confine their study to the field of specialized subjects in the liberal arts or sciences without the credits in Education that were formerly required.

During the three years the Graduate School has been in operation, 146 degrees have been conferred. Since the master's degrees were limited to Education, the largest on-campus enrollments were during the summer terms.

The largest individual class in the Graduate School was in the summer of 1957, when a total of 110 degrees were conferred.

FALL CLASS WILL GRADUATE JAN. 29

Seventy-five candidates for graduation should receive their degrees on January 29 at the regular fall semester graduation exercises. Of these, 20 are candidates for the B.A. Degree, one for B.M.Ed., 36 for B.S., 10 for B.S. in Nursing, 1 for 3-Year Diploma in Nursing, and 7 for the Master's Degree.

The graduation address will be made by Joe D. Smith, Jr., business manager of the **Alexandria Daily Town Talk.** Mr. Smith is president of the Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana and has been very active in the newspaper profession as well as in youth and civic affairs of his home city and the State of Louisiana.

School Administrators Club Meets Hear McSween of State School Board

Approximately 150 superintendents, supervisors, and school principals met in the Little Theater on the campus January 15 for the purpose of reorganizing the Northwest School Administrators Club.

Dean John A. Jones presided at the meeting. After a welcome by President John S. Kyser, the following officers were elected: R. L. Terry, **supervisor of Winn Parish,** president; J. R. Bobbitt, **supervisor of Red River Parish,** vice-president, and Dr. Lisso Simmons, **Northwestern State,** secretary.

Mr. Harold B. McSween, member of the State Board of Education, addressed the group, and called for a strengthening of the state school system by remedial programs,, guidance and testing, and increased supervision, provided the public wants to pay for it.

In pointing out that the public desires a type of education it is not now paying for, he stressed the point that money alone will not improve education. He called for a change of attitude among youth, parents, teachers, and taxpayers.

"Public education, being a democratic institution, employing American school teachers, enrolling American youth of American parents, and supported by American taxpayers, reflects the Ameri-

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McCann Shoots While "Hemmed-In"

DEMONS HIT WINNING STREAK — WIN ELEVEN OF LAST THIRTEEN GAMES

After dropping the first three road games in early December, the Demon basketball team developed that winning touch and have won eleven games while dropping two to give them a season record of 11 wins and 5 losses to the present time. The two losses suffered by the Demons in their drive were by the narrow margin of 1 point.

Playing five games on the home court after their disastrous road trip at the beginning of the season, the Demons defeated Stephen F. Austin 42-40, Southern State 57-50, Southeastern Oklahoma 49-45 and 67-60, and East Texas State 57-54.

On the road again, the Demons defeated Southern State at Magnolia, Ark., 60-51, and four days later ran wild over the strong Mississippi Southern team at Hattiesburg by a score of 84-60.

The Demons next entered the Louisiana Invitational Tournament in Shreveport, where they were publicized as "also playing," but were given little chance to advance beyond the consolation bracket.

After the smoke cleared away in their initial game, the upstart Demons were on the long end of a 69-66 score against West Texas State, moving into the semi-finals of the championship bracket. The next opponent of the Demons was Centenary, the host team, who were defeated in a thriller by the score of 71-68.

The Demons and Louisiana Tech tied up in the championship game, with the Demons losing in the final seconds by a score of 40-41.

CRNKOVIC NAMED MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

Micey Crnkovic was named the most valuable player in the tournament, composed of eight teams; and Crnkovic and Jimmy Leach of the Demons were both placed on the All-Tournament team.

Returning to their home court, the Demons next met and defeated Louisiana College 75 - 66, with Coach Cranford emptying the bench during the latter part of the game. The Wildcats had defeated the Demons in their opening game at Pineville.

The Centenary Gents were next on the schedule, and they got revenge for their loss to the Demons in the LIT by staging a late rally and moving out in front during the last minutes of the game. The final score was 70-71.

Northeast State was the first G. S. C. opponent of the Demons. In a rather rough-and-tumble affair, the Demons again cleaned off the bench by using every available player. The final score was 69-54.

All the remaining games on the schedule will be conference affairs with the exception of two games, one with Mississippi Southern and the other with Centenary. Louisiana Tech will be in Natchitoches this week-end, and the Demon gymnasium will not be able to accommodate the crowd. The Demons will be trying to avenge the 41-40 loss to Tech in the LIT.

On February 1 the Demons will travel to Lake Charles to meet McNeese, rated the top contender for G. S. C. laurels this year, and presently leading the conference with a 4-0 record. Then will follow Mississippi Southern and Southeastern on the home court, with a trip to Centenary in Shreveport next.

McNeese and Southwestern will invade Natchitoches on February 15 and 18; then the Demons finish the season on the road, taking on Northeast, Southeastern, Southwestern, and Louisiana Tech to wind up the season.

Among the top contenders for conference honors, besides McNeese, is the surprising Southwestern Bulldogs, not given a high rating by sport writers early n the season.

The Demons have a big job ahead of them in conference play with nine games yet to be decided. Whether they can make a good showing in the G. S. C. depends upon the continuation of fighting spirit and hustle they have demonstrated in their last 13 games.

The Demons have no particular player that can be rated as a "star performer" or high scorer. As a matter of fact, Jimmy Leach is the only player who has a scoring average in the two-digit figures, and his is a modest 14 or 15 points per game. There is no stand-out rebounder or floor-worker in the group, but one thing is certain - they love to play

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A letter from Mrs. Keith A. Ables, the former Barbara Jean "Pete" Edwards, A.B. '54, of Baton Rouge, states that she is now living at 3621 Broadway, Houston 17, Texas. She is teaching second grade in Pasadena. Her husband is assistant Branch Manager of Cole Steel Equipment Co. in Houston.

"Pete" mentioned that her sister, Mrs. Ouida Dulany, ex-'48, was also living in Rouston and that Ouida had three children, two boys and a little girl. The daughter was born on January 8.

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NAMED OUTSTANDING PUBLIC OFFICIAL

John L. McConnell, B.A. '49, of Alexandria, was named the "Outstanding Public Official" in central Louisiana in December by the Young Men's Business Club of Alexandria. The certificate cited McConnell for "courageous citizenship while serving as a member of the Police Jury."

McConnell is relatively new in politics in central Louisiana as

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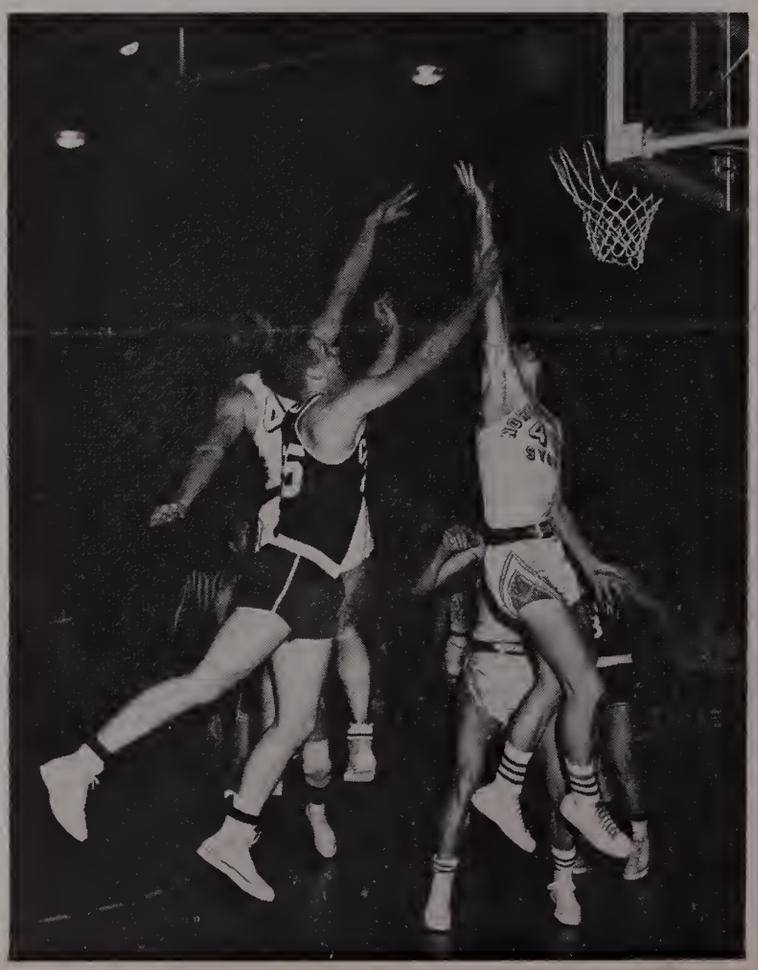
Atkins (No. 43) Tips in Two Points



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he is now serving his first term in public office.

A former newsman, having worked as a reporter on the **DAILY TOWN TALK** and operated the COUSHATTA CITIZEN, he is currently president of Metropolitan Enterprises, a real estate development corporation. He served as manager of the Central Louisiana Chapter of Associated General Contractors of America from 1953 to 1957.

Mr. McConnell is a member of the Board of Directors of the N. S. C. Alumni Association and an officer of the Alexandria chapter of alumni.

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NO NATO STAFF

Major Charles J. Kelly, B.S. '47, of Plain Dealing, has recently written from Paris, France, congratulations on the selection of Alumni officers for 1958. The current assignment of Major Kelly is in the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (NATO), where he says: "We hope our feeble efforts will insure the continued existence of such institutions as the good old Normal School."

He would enjoy corresponding with old classmates and friends and may be reached by addressing him as follows: Major Charles J. Kelly, Det 1, (SHAPE) 1141st USAF Spactyron, Air & Special Operations Division, APO 55, New York, New York.

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A note from Mrs. G. T. Latham (Frankie Rains Corley, B.A. '56), Box 126, Carlton, Texas, states that both she and her husband are teaching in Carlton. They have a tiny baby daughter named Kayla Joyce. Mr. Latham, better known as "Red", will be remembered as a star performer on Louisiana Tech basketball team.

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The Public Information Office, Army Chemical Center, Maryland, released the information on December 13 that Harrison J. Young, Jr., B.S. '49, is now a First Lieutenant in the Regular Army of the U. S.

A veteran of over six years' active military service, Young was among 1,000 officers appointed by the President to a full career status in the regular Army. He is married and has one child, Debra Lynne.

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A note from Avis Jean Windham, B.A. '51, states that she is now Mrs. Thomas Gilbert Hower, Winnsboro. She was married November 2.

Mrs. Hower is Assistant Librarian at the Franklin Parish Library, and Mr. Hower is connected with an insurance agency in Winnsboro.

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Sp-3 James R. Stoker, B Btry., Ist Reg't. (Enl Staff & Fac), U. S. Army Air Defense School, Fort Bliss, Texas, says that things in the Army are about the same. Counting from January 13 he has 250 days to go and counts every one of them. Evidently Stoker does not plan to make a career of the military life.

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Mrs. H. T. Lovell (Vernelle Porter, B.A. '42) of Landreth Farms, Route 1, Box 392, Edinburg, Tex., writes for the address of Shirley Bill Anthony, A.B. '41, formerly of Winnfield. Unfortunately, we lost the address of Miss Anthony in 1954 when her Columns were returned from Albuquerque, New Mexico. Any one knowing the correct address please send it to Mrs. Lovell and to the Alumni office.

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Mrs. Allen Breaux (Betty Jo Tilleux, B.A. '57), is living at 315 Helen, Lake Charles. She writes that she is eager to receive the Alumni Columns so she can keep up with classmates and friends.

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Mrs. Pauline J. Parker (Pauline Jordan, A.B. '34), Box 342, Pineville, writes that a sister of Mr. George Proudfit, Mrs. K. B. Neumann, informed her that Mr. Proudfit passed away on November 18.

Mr. Proudfit was head of the Music Department at "Normal" many years ago and will be remembered by many of the earlier graduates for his ability as a violinist.

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Rev. V. K. Fletcher, A.B. '31, is Educational Supervisor at Louisiana State Penitentiary, Angola. He stated in a recent letter, "You know I am in the 'Pen' now and am having a grand time. My work consists in a program of counseling and supervision of an adult education program. We have about 600 men enrolled in our program. We have taught over 100 men to read and write during the last six months."

Rev. Fletcher was superintendent of Acadia Baptist Academy, Eunice ,for eight years prior to accepting his present position in July, 1957.

Mrs. Fletcher is the former Neva Hamilton, a 1925 alumna, is teaching in the Tunica Elementary School.

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Mrs. Doris Gleason Herbert, A.B. '45, 5428 Braphy Drive, Toledo 11, Ohio, writes: "With the Christmas season bringing cards from many friends we have not seen in years, I can think of no better time to make certain of my life-time membership. Enclosed is my check. I have always enjoyed the Alumni Columns and we look forward to bringing our four children back to the College on the Cane someday."

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Mr. Paul C. "Doc" Marx has furnished us with the following information about former students:

Dr. C. J. Aswell, ex-'36, is on the staff of Ardoin's Hospital, Ville Platte, following his graduation from LSU Medical School in 1944 and one and one-half years service in the U. S. Navy Medical Corps. He married Lura Jane Dupre of Ville Platte in 1939, and they have two children, "Chuck", 7, and Brenda 8.

John Ellis Dupre, ex-'24, is Lincoln-Mercury dealer in Ville Platte and also engaged in general insurance. He married Dulcie Jane Daigle of Church Point. The Dupres have six children.

F. C. "Red" Turner, ex-'41, lives in Minden, where he deals in lumber and is a building contractor. He is married to Neva Storey of Arcadia, and they have three daughters.

Mary Aileen Branch

Mary Aileen is the 18 months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Branch, Jr., 5314 Longmeadow Lane, Houston 21, Texas. Mrs. Branch is the former Ethelyn Wanda Cain, B.S. '51, of Pitkin. Mr. Branch, ex-'48, is presently employed at Todd Shipward Corporation in Houston.

Eight Little Hamms

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Hamm, 720 N. Meade, Glendive, Montana, certainly do not have many dull moments when this octet gets tuned up. Bottom row, left to right, are Philip, 11, Kathleen, 1, Larry, 3, and David, 5. Top row: Paula, 7 Rosemary, 10, Charles, 9, and Stephanie, 8. To complete the picture, number 9 is due in March. Mrs. Hamm is the former Rosemary Boudreaux, A.B. '40, of Napoleonville. She and Phil (from Rapid City, S.D.) were married in 1946 and have been living up North since that time.

Cupid's Doings

MISS JOYCE LYNN KENNEDY, B.S. '56, of Zachary, and Mr. Jack Francis Clark of Texarkana, Texas, were married on December 14 in the Zachary Methodist Church with the Rev. Robert Taylor officiating. The couple will live at 408 Albany St., Shreveport, where both are employed by local newspapers.

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MISS IRMA JEAN BRIDGES of Bossier City, and MR. RANDALL LEWIS JOHNSON of Haynesville, both students at the College, were married on December 29 at the First Methodist Church of Bossier City with the Rev. Alfred M. Brown officiating.

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The couple will reside in Natchitoches.

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Miss Alice Nell Hathorn and MR. DONALD ELFERT, B.S. '54, of Cheneyville were married on December 28.

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Miss Betty Jean Nesbett and MR. WILLIAM ANTHONY DeYOUNG, JR., of Shreveport were married on December 31 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Echols with the Rev. E. K. McKay officiating. The couple are at home in Natchitoches, where the bridegroom is a student at the College.

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MISS MARY EDNA ADAMS of West Lake, and MR. MARVIN EARL BROSSETTE of Greenwood, students, were married on November 30 in the West Lake Methodist Church with the Rev. J. O. Brossette, brother of the brideroom, performing the ceremony.

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MISS CAROLYN VIRGINIA BAGLEY, former student, of Keatchie, and Don Lamar Brown of Joaquin, Texas, were married on December 31 at the Shiloh Baptist Church near Keatchie. The couple will make their home in Shreveport.

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MISS CHARLINE GAYE CAILLETEAU of Alexandria, and MR. FRANK RICHARD PERNICI of Shreveport, students, were married on December 28 in Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church in Alexandria. They are at home in Natchitoches, where the bridegroom is attending Northwestern.

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MISS GENEVA GARNER, former student, of Montgomery, and MR. JACK E. SMITH, B.A. '54, of Winnfield, were married on December 20 at the home of the bride's parents in Montgomery with the Rev. G. A. McKay officiating. The newlyweds will reside in Montgomery, where Jack is a member of Montgomery High School faculty.

Billy Bush

Billy is the attractive young son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard D. Bush, 5112 Anna Marie Tobin, El Paso, Tex. Mr. Bush, B.S. '54, is formerly from Many. He and his wife, Margaret, have been in El Paso for the past three years.

Vicki, Gary and Larry Badgley

James and Melissa Light

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Badgley (A.B. '52) are the proud parents of these three children. They are Vicki, 3½, Gary, 2, and Larry, 1. Mr. and Mrs. Badgley are now living at 712 Gresham, Baytown, Texas, where they moved from Springhill about two and one-half years ago.
Mrs. Badgley is the former Bessie Crews from Haughton. Mr. Badgley is employed in the schools of Baytown.
James and Melissa are the lovely children of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Light, 264 Leland, Shreveport. Mrs. Light is the former Marilyn Barnett, B.S. '52, of Plain Dealing.
James, 2, and Melissa, 1, seem to be enjoying the good things Santa Claus has brought to them for Christmas.
Mrs. Light states that she enjoys reading about old friends and acquaintances made at college.

SCHOOL ADM—

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can culture, whether it be in Schenectady, Hornbeck, or Mansura," the Alexandria attorney stated.

He suggested adequate standards of attainment, which cannot be reached if a passing grade is automatic. He further emphasized the need of subject matter for high school teachers at the graduate level as well as the need for recognition of good teachers by salary and prestige.

McSween pointed out the need for a closer liaison between our colleges and universities, through their education departments, and the public schools, through their proper representatives. "If professional influence permeates and everyone knows about actual education problems, your school system will shed most of the disabilities which usually affect local government," predicted McSween.

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the game and they do not like to lose.

Team play and the desire to win seem to be the outstanding characteristics of the team as a whole. Every player that gets in the game believes in putting out the little extra effort that somehow has brought them through a rugged season with a respectable winning average. And when the season is ended, be they at the top or at the bottom of the G. S. C. standings, you will have a hard time convincing the Demon rooters that this year's team is not the hardest fighting, scrappiest team produced at Demonland in several years.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Dominique Vidrine, 207 Lana Drive, ,Lafayette, have announced the arrival of a daughter, Peggy Lynette, on November 10. The mother is the former Peggy Dean of Springhill. She received her B.S. in Nursing in 1956.

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Mr. and Mrs. Sam W. Bailey, 1319 Pamela Street, Sulphur, are happy to announce the arrival of their first child, a daughter, Laura Lee, on December 31. The mother is the former Neal Elfert, B.A. '50, of Cheneyville. Mr. Bailey is employed at Cities Service Refining Corporation.

Dr. and Mrs. M. Peyton Russell of Marthaville have announced the arrival of a son, Marshall Patrick, on December 4. Dr. Russell, B.S. '49, is doing his medical practice and operates a clinic in Marthaville. Mrs. Russell is the former Marion Stovall, B.S. '49.

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